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The Guide to the County Archives of Indiana, of which this volume for Lawrence County constitutes a part, was prepared for the primary purpose of furnishing officials, students of history, and the citizens of the community with a convenient tool for their use in consulting the county records. It is also hoped the information contained in these volumes will encourage the public in general to take a greater interest in better measures. It is hoped the information presented herein concerning the present housing and care of records and accommodations for persons, who may wish to consult them, will prove to have value for officials and the general citizenry.

The inventory of records was made during the period March 23 to June 25, 1936, under supervision of S. J. Kagan, State Director; Robert Middle, District Supervisor; and John R. Milligan, District Research Editor. The field workers were Lester B. Cole, Claude Mallott, and Vivian Meredith, all of Bedford. Cooperation was given by the county and Works Progress Administration officials to make this survey successful.

It is the intention of the editors to present a complete, concise picture of the records in bibliographical form. The inventory is preceded with a number of introductory sections to enlighten the reader concerning facts forming the basis for the records. The entries of the inventory are carried in consecutive numbering for the entire county, while the departments are arranged alphabetically. Where it is applicable natural groupings under a subject heading are made within the office. A cross reference index following the inventory is intended to help the reader locate records with the least effort.

S. J. KAGAN



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## HISTORY

Lawrence County, located in the southern part of the State, is bounded on the north by Monroe and Jackson Counties, on the east by Jackson and Washington Counties, on the south by Orange County, and on the west by Martin and Greene Counties. It has an area of 456 square miles.

The territory lying within the boundaries of Lawrence County was acquired by the United States Government from the Indians by three treaties of cession. The first cession of land, known as the "Vincennes Tract", was made at Fort Wayne on June 7, 1803, of which 12,160 acres were in Lawrence County. By a second treaty concluded at Crowsland, near Vincennes, on August 21, 1805, 9,920 acres in the southeast corner of the county were ceded to the government. When the treaty known as "Harrisons' Purchase" was signed at Fort Wayne on September 20, 1809, the balance of the lands which go to make up Lawrence County were acquired from the Indians.

As regards Indian history Lawrence County is of little importance. It was never permanently occupied by the red man, although entirely surrounded by tribal districts. The Indians hunted and fished throughout the county, but there are no records to show that an Indian village was ever established. Originally the Piankashaws claimed the lands comprising the county, but later on the Delawares, Potawatomis, and Shawnees acquired some title to the land. By the time the first white settlers came here there were but few traces of Indian life to be found.

The first permanent settlement in Lawrence County was in what is now Flinn Township, on the extreme eastern border of the county. Daniel Cathrie and his sons, and Jacob and William Flinn left Lee County, Virginia in 1807.



They spent a few months in Kentucky where they left their families, and then came into Indiana and Lawrence County in February, 1810. They built a block house where the town of Leesville now stands and then returned to Kentucky for their families. These two families were prominent in early county annals, as the names of the townships in Lawrence County indicate. In addition, Guthrie is said to have taken part in its French and Indian War, and to have fought against General Braddock. Until 1817 the settlers in Plinn Township had no title to their land--they were squatters. But from that date land entries were made and the township rapidly settled.

The second settlement in the county was made in Bono Township, not far from the village of Scottsville. Roderick Rawlins and his nephews, James and Joseph, came here in the spring of 1812. The first land entry in Lawrence County was made in Bono Township by William Wright, September 23, 1813. Samuel Brown entered land in 1816, Elisha Simpson and Henry Fulton in 1817, and John Hammersley, David Green, Conrad Gras, and William Hoggatt in 1818.

Guthrie Township was among the earliest settled in the county. The first permanent resident was James Connelly, who originally came from North Carolina, then lived for a short time in Orange County, and came to Lawrence County in 1815. He was followed the next year by Ambrose Carlton and his two sons, Thomas and Robert. That year, Pleasant and Ambrose Parks, also from North Carolina, moved into Guthrie Township after a short stay in Bono Township.

Lawrence County was created by the State Legislature on January 7, 1810, out of lands which were formerly a part of Orange County. The boundaries as laid down in the act were: "Beginning at the range line dividing ranges two and three west, at the centre of town three north, and running thence east to the line dividing the counties of Washington, Orange, and Jackson, thence north with said line to the line dividing townships six and seven north, thence west





with said line (to the line) dividing ranges two and three east, thence south with said range line to the place of beginning." (Laws of Indiana, 1817-18, (special), p. 12).

On December 31, 1822, the Legislature attached part of Jackson County--the sections in width--to Lawrence County. The act provided that "all that part of the county of Jackson, included within the following boundaries, to wit: beginning at the northwest corner of Section number sixteen, in range two east, in town five north; thence east two miles, to the northeast corner of section number fifteen; thence south to the Driftwood Fork of White river; thence down said river to the line which at present divides the counties of Jackson and Lawrence; be...attached to the county of Lawrence." (Laws of Indiana, 1822-23, p. 27).

On June 8, 1859, the Commissioners of Lawrence County detached more lands from Jackson county and fixed the boundary line between Lawrence and Jackson County as follows: "Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 4, in Township 6 North, Range 2 East, thence due East to the Northeast corner of Section 5, in Township 6 North, Range 2 East, and running thence directly South to White River." (Lawrence County Commissioners' Record E).

This was done under an act passed in 1857 which took the authority from the State Legislature to form new counties and to fix county boundaries, and delegated that right to the voters in the territory involved. The constitutionality of this act was attacked and the circuit court held that the transfer was void; but on appeal the Supreme Court upheld the validity of the law.

The Commissioners of the newly formed county--Adelphi Carlton, Thomas Seayley, and James Stotts--met at the home of James Gregory on March 21, 1860, to transact business. Another election for the office of Clerk was ordered held after John Lowrey filed a protest, which resulted in his election to that office. The other officers were: associate judges, John Wilroy and William Edwin;





Recorder, Robert C. Stotts; Sheriff, Joseph Groves; Coroner, Thomas Wilson; and Surveyor, Robert Mitchell. At this session James Stotts, Jr., was appointed County Clerk, John Anderson, Treasurer, and Robert W. Carlton, County Agent.

At the suggestion of Benjamin Blackwell, the locating Commissioners on March 21, 1818, selected a site on White River for a county seat, which was named Palestine; the site was surveyed, and lots were advertised for sale. Palestine, although it was located on high ground, proved to be an unhealthy town. The number of deaths from malarial fever soon gave rise to a demand that the county seat be relocated, and an act appointing relocation commissioners was approved February 9, 1825. On March 9 the commissioners reported that the site on which the town of Bedford now stands was selected for a new county seat.

The Circuit Court met for the first time on June 4, 1818, at the home of John Gregory, which stood three miles east of the present site of Bedford.

The first courthouse in Palestine was built of logs and was 20 x 24 feet in size. It was completed in the fall of 1818 and was used for about two years. In January, 1819, the Commissioners advertised for bids on a permanent courthouse which was to be built of brick, 45 x 45 feet in size, and two stories high. This building was ready for occupancy in August, 1822.

The removal of the county seat to Bedford necessitated the building of a temporary courthouse similar to the one used in Palestine. In 1831, the county board asked for bids on a courthouse which was completed in May, 1834.

In the spring of 1860 plans were prepared for a new courthouse. The work of construction was considerably delayed and the building was not completed until 1873. The structure is built of Bedford gray limestone, with a court room above and the county offices on the first floor.



There are nine townships in Lawrence County: Bond, Bushy, Indian  
Creek, Marion, Marshall, Perry, Pleasant Run, Shawanick, and Spice Valley.  
The incorporated towns are Bedford, Mitchell, Muren, and Colitis. The  
county was named in honor of Commodore James Lawrence, of the Frigate  
Chesapeake, who was killed in the battle with the Frigate Shannon.



## GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS

The county serves as a unit for the maintenance of peace through the Sheriff; the administration of justice through the judicial circuit; the administration of welfare work through hospitals, infirmaries and poor relief systems; the administration of public works, such as highways, buildings, and drainage systems; the imposition and collection of taxes; the holding of elections; the administration, to a limited degree, of education; and the enforcement of State laws and decrees.

The General Assembly conferred upon the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners powers of a local administrative character (1 Indiana Rev. Stat., 1852, Ch. 20, Sec. 1). A Board of Finance has jurisdiction over financial matters (Acts 1907; Burns 61-303 [1907]). The elective board, County Council (Acts 1899; Burns 26-502 [1899]), has powers of administrative character on budget and tax levy matters. As a protection to the taxpayers of the county, the Board of Review was established and re-established (Acts 1891; Acts 1919, Burns 64-122 [1905]) to review and correct assessments; and later followed the formation of the Board of Tax Adjustments (Acts 1933; Burns 64-364). The record of the actions of the latter board is incorporated with the records affected. In 1933, the General Assembly established the Lawrence County Board of Public Welfare (Acts 1933, Special Session, Burns 62-1117) with jurisdiction over all matters of a charitable character. Since the above board was established in 1933, there are, as yet, no records.

The constitution provides that the state shall, from time to time, be divided into judicial circuits and a judge and prosecuting attorney elected for each circuit (Indiana Const., Art. 7, Sec. 11). The Fortieth circuit, Lawrence and Jackson Counties, was established in 1911 (Acts 1911, 1920; Burns 4-302 [1907]).





The constitution directs that there shall be elected by the people, at the time of holding general elections, a Clerk of the Circuit Court, Auditor, Recorder, Treasurer, Sheriff, Coroner, and Surveyor (Indiana Const., Art. 3, Sec. 2); and that such other county officers, as may be necessary, shall be elected and appointed in such manner as may be prescribed by law (Indiana Const., Art. 3, Sec. 3). In 1880, the General Assembly prescribed the appointive office of Health Commissioner (Acts 1880; Burns 20-301 [5407]) to protect and administer to the health of the people of Lawrence County; in 1910, the elective office of Assessor (Acts 1910; Burns 61-1101 [14007]) to supervise assessment of property; and in 1905, the appointive office of Agricultural Agent (Acts 1905; Burns 25-1011) to further agricultural progress in the county. The Surveyor, by virtue of his office, acts as Highway Supervisor (Acts 1908; Burns 30-1110) to supervise construction and repair of Lawrence County roads.

The administration of education in Lawrence County (outside of municipal corporations) is under the jurisdiction of the County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools (Acts 1889, 1911, 1913, and 1927; Burns 20-702 [5507]).

Between the adoption of the Constitution of 1816 and the Constitution of 1851, practically no changes were made in the form of government in Lawrence County. Following this period to the present time, changes were mainly enlargements of the government, such as creation of the above offices. The establishment of each of these offices caused the beginning of separate records as prescribed by the General Assembly under the provisions for each respective office.

As each office was created, the General Assembly prescribed the type of records which should be kept, in many cases listing the particular form of

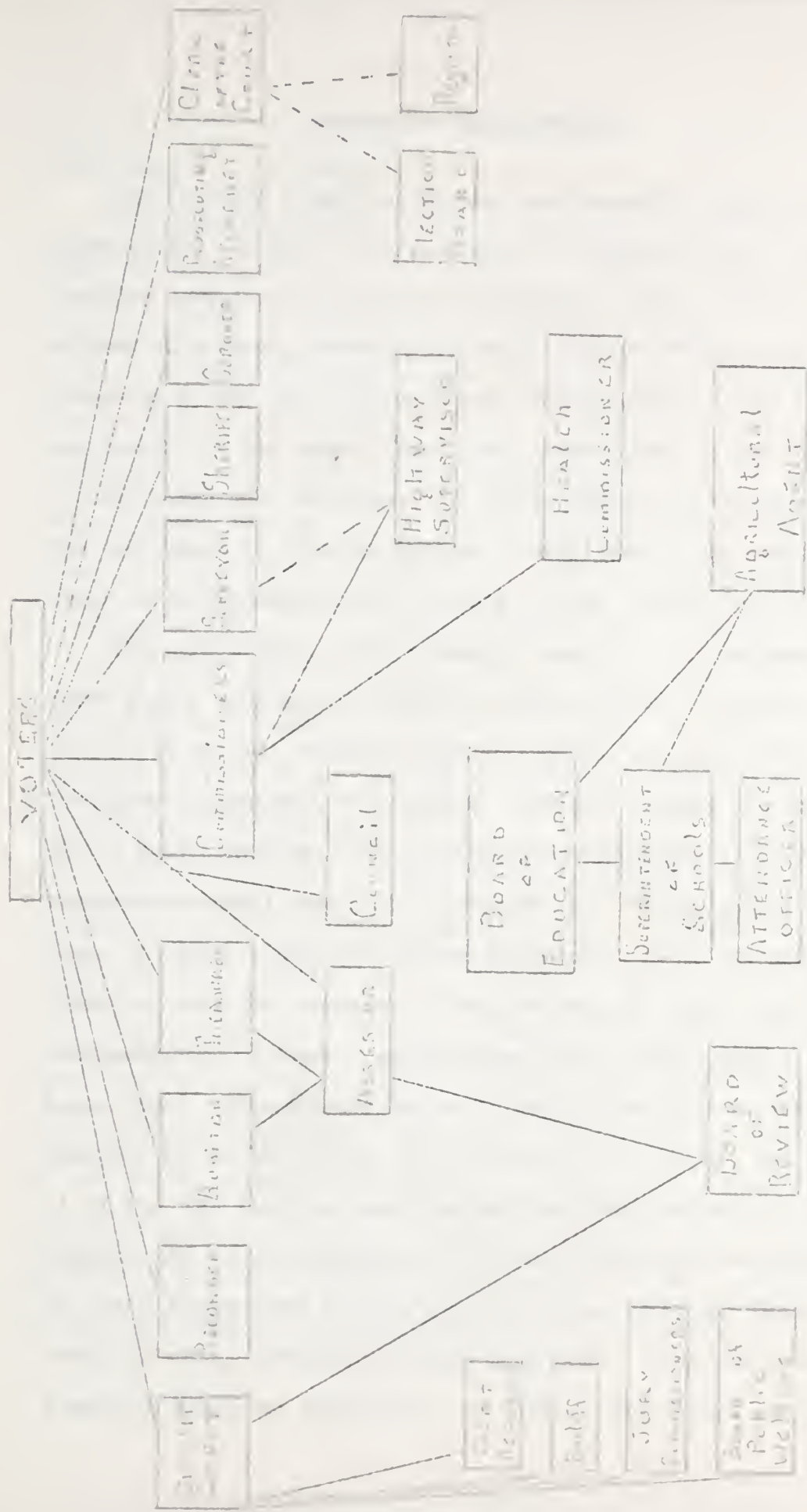




the page. Lawrence County was allowed its own form of accounting until, in 1909, the legislature established the State Board of Accounts which formulates, prescribes, and installs a system of accounting and reporting which is uniform for every public office of the same class (Acts 1909; Burns 80-803 [1909]). Under this law, some of the records were combined to eliminate separation, duplication, and overlapping. The law also permits the use of bound looseleaf records in almost all cases where the records are typed. The quality of the paper and ink, binding and rebinding practices are left to the judgment of the Board of County Commissioners, except that a good quality is asked.

Whenever it may be necessary for the preservation of the records for any office of Lawrence County from mutilation, the Board of County Commissioners issues an order directing the officer in charge to copy and transcribe the records for preservation (Acts 1877; Burns 20-201 [6001]). Such records so transcribed have the force and effect of the original record (Acts 1877; Burns 20-623 [6034]).





(BASIC STRUCTURE)

STATE OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

-- INDIANA



## HOUSING OF PUBLIC BODIES

The Lawrence County courthouse, constructed in 1930, of limestone, measures 130' by 103' by 35', allowing 400,650 cubic feet in space. The building houses the offices of Agricultural Agent, Assessor, Auditor, Highway Supervisor, Recorder, Superintendent of Schools, Surveyor, and Treasurer on the first floor; Clerk, Commissioners, Health Commissioner, and Sheriff on the second floor; and a record room in the basement. It is 100% fireproof, and houses all public records in fireproof vaults. The courthouse is owned by Lawrence County, and at the present time is under an indebtedness which is being paid at the rate of \$10,000 per year.

The Agricultural Agent's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the first floor, comprises a main and private office. The main office measures 13' by 14' by 13', with three doors 7' by 3', and one window 7 1/2' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Filing cabinets provide 4' of boxes 24" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Three tables, and eight chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 20% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 80% are stored in the private office. The private office measures 13' by 13' by 12', with one door 7' by 2 2/3', and two windows 6' by 3'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. There are 13' of boxes 24" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. Two tables, four chairs and other office





equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 55% of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Assessor's bureau, located in the southwest corner of the first floor, comprises a main office and vault. The main office measures 20' by 13' by 12', with one door 7' by 3', one door 7' by 2½', and one window 7½' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is some dust. Along the east wall, there are 33' of steel shelving, of which 24' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 15' of boxes containing unbound materials. It is crowded, allowing room for expansion. One large table, two small tables, one desk, four chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 10% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 4% are kept in the vault, and 86% are located in the basement record room.

The Auditor's bureau, located in the northwest part of the first floor, comprises a main office and record room. The main office measures 24' by 20' by 13', with four doors 7' by 3', and two windows 7½' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature, normal, and there is some dust. Located under a counter, there are 41' of steel shelving, of which 31' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 32' of boxes 12" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Two desks, two chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users.





Approximately 30% of the Bureau's records are housed here, while 30% are in the record room adjoining, and 30% are located in the basement record room. The record room measures 17' by 24' by 13', with two doors 7' by 3', and three windows 7' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is some dust. Along the north, south, and east walls, there are 177' of steel shelving, of which 104' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 35' of boxes 15" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. Three large tables, and six chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 60% of the Bureau's records are housed here.

The Clerk's bureau, located in the west section of the second floor, comprises main and private offices, and record room. The main office measures 24' by 16' by 13', with five doors 7' by 3', and two windows 7' by 3'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. There are 3' of steel roller shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 40' of boxes 14" deep, containing unbound materials. Although it is crowded, there is room for expansion with new shelving. Two desks, one table, three chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 1% of the Bureau's records are housed here, while 2% are in the private office, 30% are located in the record room, and 3% are in the basement record room. The private office measures 17 2/3' by 14' by 13', with four doors 7' by 3', and two windows 7' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with



linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is very little dust prevalent. Filing cabinets provide 3' or better 12" deep, containing unbound materials. Although, it is not crowded, there is no room for expansion. Two desks, three chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 2% of the bureau's records are housed here. The record room measures 34 1/2' by 23' by 12', with three rooms 7' by 3', and five windows 7 1/2' by 4', 4 1/2' by 1 1/2'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the walls, there are 207 1/2' of shelving, of which 140 1/2' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 700' of boxes 12" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Two tables, three ladders, five chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 92% of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Commissioners' bureau, located in the north central part of the first floor, measures 11'0" by 7'3" by 3'7", with one door 7'2" by 2 3/4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and dry. Along the south wall, there are 75' of steel shelving, of which 33' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 5 1/2' of unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. Approximately 85% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 3% are stored in the Auditor's office.

The Governor's bureau, located in the private office of Mr. [redacted], Old State House Building, 1011 Fifteenth Street, houses all records at that address. It



is recommended that ample space and equipment be allotted for the housing of this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Health Commissioner's bureau, located in the west part of the second floor, measures 13' by 13' by 9', with one door 7' by 5', and one window 7' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and dry. Along the north and west walls, there are 9' of steel shelving, of which 7' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 5' of boxes 21" deep, containing unbound materials. It is very crowded, and it is recommended that additional shelving be allotted for the proper housing of the records of this bureau. One table, four chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 90% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 2% are located in the basement record room.

The Highway Supervisor's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the first floor, measures 16' by 14' by 13', with one door 7' by 6', and one window 7' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and dry. Located in the northwest corner, there are 9' of steel shelving, of which 5' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 7' of boxes 24" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. One desk, one table, five chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 80% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 20% are located in the basement record room.





The Recorder's Bureau, located in the east section of the first floor, comprises a main office and record room. The main office measures 20' by 22', by 13', with one door 7' by 5 1/2', one door 7' by 3', one door 7' by 2 1/8', and two windows 7 1/2' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is very little dust prevalent. Under a counter in center of the room, there are 25' of steel shelving, all of which are occupied with boxes 15", 20", and 27" deep, containing unbound materials, and 11' of boxes are located on top of counter. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Three desks, one counter, and five chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 1% of the Bureau's records are housed here, while 99% are located in the record room. The record room measures 30' by 24' by 12', with one door 7' by 3', and four windows 7 1/2' by 4', also 2 windows 5' by 3'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is very little dust prevalent. Along the north, south, and west walls, there are 231' of steel shelving, of which 175 1/2' are occupied with bound volumes. It is very crowded, allowing no room for expansion with new shelving. Approximately 99% of the Bureau's records are housed here.

The Superintendent of Schools' Bureau, located in the east section of the first floor, comprises a main office, private office, and vault. The main office measures 24' by 17 1/2' by 13', with three doors 7' by 3', 7' by 2 1/8', and two windows 7 1/2' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and





dry. Filing cabinets provide 25' of space 14" deep, containing various materials. There is plenty of room for expansion. Two desks, six chairs and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 35% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 5% are in the private office, and 70% are located in the vault. The private office measures 14' by 15' by 8', with one door 7' by 3', and one window 7' by 4'. The floor is concrete covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and dry. There are 3' of bound volumes, and 2' of unbound materials located on office furniture. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. One desk, five chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 5% of the bureau's records are housed here. The vault measures 10' by 10' by 8', with one door 7' by 2 1/2', and no windows. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and dry. Along the east, west, and north walls, there are 171' of steel shelving, of which 86' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 35' of unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing room for expansion. Three step-ladders are the only accommodations to users. Approximately 70% of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Sheriff's bureau, located in the northeast corner of the second floor, measures 17' by 14' by 12', with two doors 7' by 3', and four windows 7' by 4', 3' by 1'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and there is no dust problem.



Along the east wall, there are 5' of steel shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, and 12' of bound volumes are located on the office furniture. There are also eight file boxes 27" deep, containing unbound materials. Although it is crowded, there is space for expansion. One desk, one table, four chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 80% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 20% are located in the basement storeroom.

The Surveyor's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the first floor, comprises a main office and drawing room. The main office measures 16½' by 16½' by 13', with two doors 7' by 3', and two windows 7½' by 4'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good conditions. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is very little dust problem. There are 10½' of shelving in a cabinet, of which 6' are occupied with bound volumes. It is not crowded, allowing ample space for expansion. One table, two desks, and five chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 50% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 50% are located in the drawing room. The drawing room measures 19½' by 14½' by 13', with one door 7' by 3', two windows 7½' by 4', and one window 5½' by 2'1". The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and it is clean and dry. Steel filing cabinets provide bunks 18" deep, containing unbound materials. There is plenty of room for expansion. One table, one drawing table, six chairs, two stools, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 50% of the bureau's records are housed here.



The Treasurer's bureau, located in the northwest corner of the first floor, measures 30' by 22' by 13', with one door 7' by 8', three doors 7' by 2 1/3', and three windows 7 1/2' by 3'. The floor is concrete, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature regulated, and there is very little dust prevalent. Under a counter in center of the room, there are 18' of steel shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 15' of boxes 12" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. Two large tables, one desk, and nine chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 32% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 20% are located in the Auditor's record room, and 48% are stored in the basement record room.

The basement record room measures 24' by 16 1/2' by 13', with one door 7' by 3', and no windows. The floor is concrete, brick walls, and concrete ceiling, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and there is some dust and dampness. Along the walls, there are 857' of steel shelving, of which 617' are occupied with bound volumes. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. One desk, eight chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 86% of the Assessor's records, 20% of the Auditor's records, 5% of the Clerk's records, 2% of the Health Commissioner's records, 20% of the Highway Supervisor's records, 40% of the Sheriff's records, and 45% of the Treasurer's records are housed here.





## ABBREVIATIONS

The Style Manual of the United States Government Printing Office is the authority followed herein.

Art.	Article
Bldg.	Building
Ch.	Chapter
C. C.	County Courthouse
Conste.	Constitution
ib., ibid.	Ibidem (same reference as that immediately foregoing)
Ind.	Indiana
Infra	Below
p., pp.	Page, pages
q. v.	Which see
Rev. Stat.	Revised Statutes
Sec.	Section
Supra	Above
U. S.	United States
V. vol., vols.	Volume, volumes

Other abbreviations occasionally used will be obvious from the context.





## AGRICULTURAL AGENT

Whenever twenty or more residents of a county who are actively interested in agriculture file a petition, the County Board of Education files said petition with the County Council for appropriation of salary and expense; the Board of Education then applies to Purdue University for the appointment of an Agricultural Agent whose appointment is made annually.

In accordance with the law an Agricultural Agent has been appointed for Lawrence County. It is his duty, under the supervision of Purdue University, to cooperate with movements for the advancement of agriculture, give advice to farmers, and aid the county Superintendent of Schools in giving practical education in agriculture and domestic science (Acts 1913, Burns 28-1911 170157).

### 1. AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT AND INSTRUCTION RECORD, 1934---. 3 file boxes.

Record of application for contract, all related papers and contracts proper, and correspondence relative to the triple A association. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 13 x 24. C.C., Agent's private office.

### 2. EXTENSION RECORD, COUNTY AGRICULTURAL, 1915---. 2 file boxes.

Annual statistical report of all agricultural projects tried out. This includes a report on various grains raised and financial report. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 13 x 24. C.C., Agent's main office.



The Inspector of Schools, created by the General Assembly, is not constitutional.

The Inspector is nominated by majority of the General Assembly for a four-year term. In the first election, there being no previous term, he may be elected for successive terms in office. Qualifications are established by law; he must have been a continuous freeholder of land in the county for not less than four years as of the date of election, and he must provide a five thousand dollar bond, with two or more good and sufficient freehold sureties approved by the Auditor, who after examination signs the bond of office. The statutes direct that he shall be subject to the orders and directions of the State Board of Tax Commissioners. He may be removed from office for neglect of duty, incompetency and inefficiency, and may appeal to the Circuit Court and the Appellate Courts below. (Acts 1911; Acts 1912 [1913] 1914).

His duties are to receive and distribute property of the State, to carry out each school plant, to instruct the various officers, to carry out the orders of the State and Board, and to act as President of the State Board of Education (Acts 1911; Acts 1912 [1913] 1914).

3. The State Board of Education, 1911-1912. 1913-1914, 1915-1916, 1917-1918, 1919-1920, 1921-1922, 1923-1924, 1925-1926, 1927-1928, 1929-1930, 1931-1932, 1933-1934, 1935-1936, 1937-1938, 1939-1940, 1941-1942, 1943-1944, 1945-1946, 1947-1948, 1949-1950, 1951-1952, 1953-1954, 1955-1956, 1957-1958, 1959-1960, 1961-1962, 1963-1964, 1965-1966, 1967-1968, 1969-1970, 1971-1972, 1973-1974, 1975-1976, 1977-1978, 1979-1980, 1981-1982, 1983-1984, 1985-1986, 1987-1988, 1989-1990, 1991-1992, 1993-1994, 1995-1996, 1997-1998, 1999-2000, 2001-2002, 2003-2004, 2005-2006, 2007-2008, 2009-2010, 2011-2012, 2013-2014, 2015-2016, 2017-2018, 2019-2020, 2021-2022, 2023-2024, 2025-2026, 2027-2028, 2029-2030, 2031-2032, 2033-2034, 2035-2036, 2037-2038, 2039-2040, 2041-2042, 2043-2044, 2045-2046, 2047-2048, 2049-2050, 2051-2052, 2053-2054, 2055-2056, 2057-2058, 2059-2060, 2061-2062, 2063-2064, 2065-2066, 2067-2068, 2069-2070, 2071-2072, 2073-2074, 2075-2076, 2077-2078, 2079-2080, 2081-2082, 2083-2084, 2085-2086, 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and valuations, conditions and situation of streets, town-  
ship, and, 1917, and other. Arranged alphabetically by owner.  
Abstracts. Arrangement of printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 24 cm. 1917-21,  
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4. TOWN, 1917-21, 1922-- . 1 map.

Political map, showing names of streets, flats, and conditions.  
Drawn and published by J. A. Galt, Redford, Wis. Photo-  
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U.S., Auditor's office.

5. TOWN, 1920-31, 1932-- . 100 vols. 1922-31, missing.

Records of the tax value and improvement value of real estate and  
personal property of assessed, showing name, location of land,  
section, township, range, acres, and true cash value of land by  
township assessor. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Arranged  
on printed form. 150 pp. 18 x 24 - 3/4. U.S., 75 vols., 1920-31,  
1932-33, adjacent record room; 100 vols., 1937-- , Auditor's record  
room.

6. TOWN, 1917-21, 1922-- . 1 file folder.

Schedule and statement of property owned by the various cor-  
porations of Madison, showing names of owner, corporation or  
association, location of principal, capital stock, common stock,  
market value of stock, value of tangible property, assessed value  
of tangible property fixed by assessor, and the value of fran-  
chises, gross receipts, amount of profits, retained earnings, and  
profits, balance sheet, assets, liabilities, total amount of in-  
crease, value of buildings, machinery, equipment, and other.













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name of official, name of surety, amount of bond, and date of issue.  
Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C. O., Auditor's office.

15. OFFICIAL BONDS, 1831--. 1 file box.

Bonds run by officials upon entering office, showing name of surety,  
name of principal, name of sureties, amount of bond, and date.  
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#### Budget

16. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1827--. 1 vol.

Prior to 1827, missing.

A monthly record of receipts to date, showing receipts for month, total  
receipts, miscellaneous funds, disbursements to date, disbursements for  
month, total disbursements, balance, and overdrafts. Arranged chron-  
ologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 20 x 15 x 1.  
C. O., Auditor's office.

17. RECEIPTS, APPROPRIATIONS, AND DISBURSING TO, 1831-35, 1831-35,  
1831--. 2 vols. Prior to 1831, missing.

Record showing the amount of money appropriated, amount received, and  
disbursed, each day, warrant number, amount, date, appropriation,  
amount, overdraft, balance, for what, and to what office account is  
charged. Indexed alphabetically by office and subject. Handwritten on  
printed form. 500 pp. 11 x 15 x 5. C. O., 1831-35, Auditor's record  
room; 1831, Auditor's office.









20. BRIDGES, 1920. 4 blueprints.

Plans showing bridges to be constructed in county highway. Drawn by Mr. Will Duncan. Photostat. 32 x 10, x C.O., Auditor's office.

21. COUNTY HIGH ROADS, 1920-31. 9 file boxes.

County road bonds, and contracts for construction of gravel roads, showing date, name of county, name of party of first part, and party of second part. 10 x 14 x 18. C.O., Auditor's office.

22. HIGHWAY REPORTS, (ANNUAL REPORTS), 1920-29. 1 file box.

Receipts issued by Highway Supervisors for labor and material furnished county highway department, showing date, receipt number, from whom received, amount for labor, gravel, stone and lumber, and name of person issuing receipt, handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 18. C.O., Auditor's record room.

Purchasing

26. BIDDERS RECORD, 1935-36. 1 vol.

Record of bids received for purchases and labor, showing name of bidder, description of article to be purchased, quantity, price, unit price, unit price bid, name of bid accepted and date of purchase. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 14 x 12 x 3. C.O., Auditor's office.

27. CONTRACT FOR SUPPLIES, 1931-31. 1 file box.

Record of supplies which the county has contracts for, such as lunch books, blank books, paper, stationery, envelopes, letter heads and printing, showing name of county, date, name of firm receiving contract, length of contract, and amount. 10 x 4 x 12. C.O., Auditor's office.



## Receipts

24. GRANT & RECEIPTS, 1937--. 1 vol. 2 file boxes. Prior to 1938, missing.

Receipts for money paid out for gravel roads, old age pensions, fees, common school funds, telephone, toll, car sales redemptions, and insurance tax, showing date, to whom paid, for what, amount, from what fund, and receipts number. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. Vol., 300 pp. 17 x 12 x 2 3/4; boxes, 10 x 4 x 14. C.C. vol., 1938-39, box, 1939-40, Auditor's record room; box, 1940, Auditor's office.

25. DISBURSEMENTS REPORTS, (JULIUS), 1938-39. 1 file box. Quittances sent by Auditor for money paid in 1938 (first year to Treasurer, second year, amount, date, receipt, by whom paid, what account, and signature of Auditor. 10 x 4 1/2. C.C., Auditor's record room.

26. WARRANTS, 1938--. 3 vols. 1938, missing. Record of warrants drawn to pay county bills, showing number, to whom charged, date, to whom issued, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. C.C., Auditor's record room.

## School funds

27. CONDITION OF COUNTY AND COMMERCIAL BONDS AND INVESTMENTS, 1938-39, 1939. 1 vol. Prior to 1938, missing. Record of condition of county and commercial bonds in funds, showing amount of the different funds, semi-annual distribution of interest



32. INVENTORY OF TRUST OR SCHOOL FUNDS, 1871-75.

1 vol. Prior to 1871, missing.

Inventory of trust or school funds, showing register number of loan, date of loan, original amount, amount of each fund unpaid and whether current, congressional, or permanent endowment, total loans unpaid, date to which interest is paid, amount of interest due, and a sum of money represented by forfeited bonds. Arranged chronologically. Manwritten on printed form. 480 pp. 17 x 10 x 2. S.C., Auditor's record room.

33. LOAN, SCHOOL FUND, 1875-79. 1 vol. (4). Vols 1-3, and prior to 1875, missing.

Record of installments of principal and interest of loans and trust bonds, showing loan number, amount of installment, amount of principal, interest paid, and by whom paid. Indexed alphabetically by subject. Manwritten on printed form. 480 pp. 16 x 13 x 2. S.C., Auditor's record room.

For later records, see entry 37.

34. LOAN, 1877-79. 3 file boxes.

Mortgage on property to secure loans made from school funds, showing name of mortgagor and mortgagee, and amount of mortgage. Arranged chronologically. Manwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. S.C., Auditor's office.

35. LOAN, TRUST OR SCHOOL FUND, 1875-79. 1 vol.

Record of school fund loans, certificate of purchase, and forfeitures, showing loan number, amount of loan, name and address of borrower, type of school fund, date of loan, amount of loan, and description of









38. WOMAN'S RECORD, 1940-41. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of applications for old age assistance, showing name, address, date, place of birth, whether married or single, length of residence in county, children's age, age, address, whether children are able to support applicant, value of property owned, and expert assessment. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Typed on printed form. 8 1/2 x 10 x 3. U.S., Auditor's office.

39. WOMAN'S RECORD, 1940-41. 2 vols. (1-2).

Vouchers and affidavits for poor relief to old age assistance. These are for board, clothing, fuel, hospitalization for medical care, schooling data, amount of order, to whom issued, name of society or firm, and signature of trustee. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 3 x 1. U.S., Auditor's record room.

40. WOMAN'S RECORD, 1940-41. 2 vols. (1-2).

Application for school books for needy children who are unable to buy books, contain name, date, amount, and teacher's list of books needed. Arranged alphabetically by child's name. Handwritten on printed form. 11 x 7 x 9. U.S., Auditor's record room.

41. WOMAN'S RECORD, 1940-41. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of issuance of relief to poor families, showing name, address, amount and kind of clothing, fuel, etc. Handwritten on printed form. 11 x 7 x 10. U.S., Auditor's record room.



43. WARRANTS ISSUED BY THE JUDGE, 1900--. 1 box.

Duplicate vouchers or warrants issued for all conditions, showing amount and warrant number, date, to whom issued, address, amount, what appropriated for, and name of Auditor and Treasurer. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 220 pp. 15 x 12 x 2. C.C., Auditor's office.

#### Statistics

44. BILLS PAID, 1928-31. 1 file box.

Annual financial statement of each different branch and branch committee, showing amount of cash, assets, liabilities, and balance of cash on hand. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 12. Underwritten and typed. C.C., Auditor's record room.

45. BILLS PAID, 1927-32. 1 file box.

Record of appointments of judges, assessors, showing name of county, name of person appointed, name of township, and by whom appointed. No index. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.

46. FIELD EXAMINER'S REPORTS TO CMT, 1925-34. 2 file boxes.

Field (state) examiner's report of each office, showing an itemized list of receipts and expenditures of each office. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.

47. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS, (CATS), 1928-30. 1 file box.

Copy of minutes of County Board of Review, showing name of to say, name of member, oath, date sworn, signature of member and signature of auditor. No index. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's record room.



40. JURY FEE REPORT, (FOR COURT REPORT), 1898-99. 1 file box.

1 file box.

Reports of various county officers of fees collected, showing date of fee, amount of fee, amount collected, and short statement of officer collecting fee. No index. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.

49. PATIENTS TO PRISON HOSPITAL, 1898-99. 1 file box.

Applications for admission to hospital, showing physician's report, name, age, description of disease, and length of application. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.

50. PROSECUTOR'S REPORT, 1898-99. 1 file box.

Record of Prosecutor's report of fees collected, showing date, date, and amount of fees. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.

51. RECORDER'S REPORT, 1898-99. 1 file box.

Recorder's report of fees collected during the year, showing date of report, date the fee was collected, kind of fee, fees, list of mortgages, amount of the fee, total fees collected, and signature of recorder. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.

52. JURY FEE REPORT, 1898-99. 1 file box.

Record of mileage expenses of jury, showing receipt of money for expenses, juror's mileage in taking patients to hospital, showing name of juror, date, amount of fee, date, amount of mileage, name of prisoner or patient, location of prison or hospital, and total miles traveled. No index. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Auditor's office.





50. THE TOWN OF ... 1880-81. 1880-81.

1 vol. 10 x 15.

Quarterly reports of town collector, showing collection and disbursement, taxes, interest, fines, and other receipts, amount, disbursements, fees, and received from clerk, bonds, certificates, total amount collected, and sworn statement of collector. No index.

10 x 15 x 15. C.C., Auditor's record room.

51. TOWN OF ... 1881-82. 10 vols. Prior to 1881, missing.

Annual report of township trustees to the Advisory Board, showing receipts, disbursements and balance of all township revenues for the year, to whom, for what purpose, received, whether out of special school funds, or tuition fund. Arranged chronologically. Manuscript on printed form. 44 pp. 10 x 10 x 1. C.C., 7 vols., 1881, Commissioner's vault; 9 vols., 1886, Auditor's record room.

#### Tax

52. DISTRIBUTION, COMPENSATION, 1882-83. 5 vols. Prior to, 1886, missing.

Certificates of the amount of money distributed by the Auditor to trustees of the different townships for funds due on taxes and other collections, such as State tax, school tax, teachers' pension, Soldier's Memorial, Board of Agriculture, common school fund interest, 1882-83 tax, local tuition fund, road tax, library tax, and interest, 1882-83. Arranged chronologically. Manuscript on printed form. 140 pp. 10 x 10 x 1. C.C., Auditor's record room.



3. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 1982-83, 2 vols.

(7 sets, 1-6; 1 set 1-5), 1 file box. Prior to 1996, missing.

1924, 20, 11561-2.

50. ? ALCO UTILITY AND STATE BOARD (MILWAUKEE REPORT), 1948-50.

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50. SOLDIERS' RECORDS, 1914-1918. 14 vols.

Records of soldiers' information from the War, of service addresses, names of soldiers and sailors and their widows, of the Civil War, showing name, address, rank, company, date, in what war served, kind of service, and description of property. Indexed alphabetically by soldiers' names. Handwritten on printed form. 130 pp. 8 x 7 x 3/4.

C.O., 14 vols., 1914-1918, 1st floor record room; 4 vols., 1918-1919,

Auditor's record room.

51. LAND CERTIFICATES, 1918-27. 1 file box.

Records of the sale of property of unpaid taxes, showing names of auditor, Treasurer, State and county, date, place, amount of sale, name of purchaser, and name of person under which land was assessed and entered for taxation. Arranged chronologically. 15 x 4 x 10. C.O., Auditor's record room.

52. THE LAND, REDEEMED, 1918-1919. 5 vols. (3-4 and 5 vols.

not numbered).

Records of real estate sold for delinquent taxes, showing name of owner, description of land, name of town, value of real estate, value of improvements, total value of taxables, amount paid, amount sold for, by whom purchased, date of redemption, and by whom redeemed. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 2 1/2. C.O., 1918-1919, basement record room; 1919-1920, and vols 3, 1920-1921, Auditor's record room; Vols 4, 1921-1922, Auditor's office.



82. 1931 SALES CERTIFICATES, 1931-32. 1 file box.

Record of tax sales certificates, showing name of taxpayer, name of purchaser, description of real estate, value, amount taxed, and date sold. No index. 16 x 4 x 12. C. C., Auditor's office.

83. 1931-32, 1932-33. 125 vols.

Record of real estate transfers, showing name of owner, description of real estate, total value, from whom transferred, to whom, address, kind of deed, date of instrument, date of transfer, and fee. Arranged alphabetically by new owner. Handwritten on printed form. 255 pp. 17 x 13 x 3. C.C., Auditor's Record room.





## CLERK

The clerk of the Circuit Court is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and not entitled to hold office more than eight years in any twelve-year period. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Burns 42-2701 [115417]).

The clerk preserves all records and writings filed in his office; procures all necessary judges' appearances, bar, judgment, and execution dockets, and order and final record books; attends the Lawrence County sessions of the Lawrence and Jackson Circuits and enters in the proper record book all orders, judgments, and decrees of the court; keeps a complete record of all causes where the title to land is involved, and of criminal causes where the punishment is death or imprisonment. He is authorized to receive all funds ordered to be paid into the courts. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1858; Acts 1869, 1887, 1893, 1895 Special Session, 1909, and 1933; Burns 40-2701 to 40-2725 [11541-11547]).

## Bonds

40. COLUMBIAN BOND RECORD, 1880-4. 1 vol.

Record of constables' bonds and sureties, showing name of surety, amount of bond, name of constable appointed, condition or obligation, date, and seal of Clerk. Indexed alphabetically by constable. Hand-written on printed form. Condition fair. 360 pp. 14 x 10 x 1 1/2 in. Clerk's record room.



66. JUDICIAL BOND RECORD, 1893--. 1 vol.

Record of judicial bonds and sureties, showing name of applicant, amount, name of justice, date, and signature of clerk. Indexed alphabetically by justice. Handwritten on printed form. Penetration fair. 325 pp. 13 x 10 x 1 1/2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

67. JUDICIAL BOND RECORD, 1893--. 2 vols. (C-1). V. 1-2, prior to 1913, missing.

Record of bonds issued to notaries public. Showing name of notary, name of surety, conditions of obligations, seal of notary and surety, date, and seal of clerk. Indexed alphabetically by notary. Handwritten on printed form. 450 pp. 13 x 11 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

68. JUDICIAL BOND RECORD, 1893--. 2 file boxes.

Record of notary bonds, showing name of applicant and surety. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. C.C., Clerk's record room.

69. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1893--. 1 vol. (C). V. 1, prior to 1913, missing.

Record of official bonds, showing name of officers, amount of bond, names of sureties, dates, provisions of bond, and seal of notary public. Indexed alphabetically by official. 1893-1908, handwritten; 1909-10, typed; 1910--, handwritten and typed. 374 pp. 13 x 11 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's record room.



70. OFFICIALS BONDS, 1874-1911. 1 vol.

Index of sureties of officials bonds, showing names of sureties, kind of bond, amount, and date recorded. Arranged alphabetically by surety. Handwritten on printed form. 425 pp. 16 x 13 x 2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

71. OFFICIALS BONDS, 1810-35. 1 file box.

Oaths and resignations of officers, showing justices bonds, constables bonds, names, amount, date and signature of Auditor. Handwritten on printed form. 3.5. Clerk's record room.

For earlier and later records, see entry 69.

#### Change of Venue

72. RECORDS, 1801-1800. 1 file box.

Record of receipts of papers from other counties, showing indictments, abatement pleas, decesses, certified transcripts, and affidavit for change of venue, name of county, defendant, and plaintiff. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.

#### Circuit Court

73. AFFIDAVITS AND INFORMATION, RECORDS 17, 1801--. 3 vols. (1-3).

Prior to 1801, missing.

Record of affidavits filed of complaints of illegal treatment by other than family members, showing date, plaintiff, defendant, description of case, signature of Prosecuting Attorney, and witnesses. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 5.2 pp. 17 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.





76. COUNTY RECORDS, 1881-1901. 1 vol. 100 p.  
 Record of cases of divorce, showing date, name of defendant, address, nature of offense, name of plaintiff, and signature of Clerk. 10 index. Handwritten on printed form.  
 10 x 4 x 13. U.S., Clerk's record room.

77. CIVIL CASES, 1880-1901. 10 vols.  
 Record of civil cases, such as divorce, collection, possession of land, complaints, accounts, and inquiries, showing attorney, parties, when filed, Sheriff's returns, and proceedings of court. Arranged chronologically. Typed. 500 pp. 12 x 10 x 4. U.S., Clerk's record room.

For earlier record, see entry 75.

78. CIVIL CASES, 1880-1901. 20 file boxes. (1-20).  
 Record of civil cases pending, showing date, plaintiff, defendant, nature of complaint, signature of attorney for plaintiff and defendant. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form.  
 10 x 4 x 13. U.S., Clerk's office.

79. COMPLETE RECORD, 1880-1901. 1 vol. (1).  
 Record of completed cases tried, showing date, name of plaintiff, name of defendant, nature of complaint, proceedings of court, and name of attorney. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Typed. 500 pp.  
 10 x 13 x 5. U.S., Clerk's record room.

For earlier and later records, see entry 75.



78. COURT BOOKS, RECEIVED BOOKS, 1888-91. 2 vols. 1888.

Record of Court cases heard the plaintiff in case, of Circuit Court, and receivers' bonds, court to pay defendant all costs and any accretions in the action, showing plaintiff, defendant, date, case number, judgment of document, signature of attorney, and approval of Clerk. To index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. U.S., Clerk's record room.

79. CRIMINAL BOOKS, 1913--. 8 vols.

Record of criminal cases, such as non-support, adultery, incest, petit larceny, keeping gaming device, public nuisance, child neglect, robbery, forgery, indecent exposure, and sodomy, showing plaintiff, defendant, nature of offense, and date. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 600 pp. 12 x 10 x 4. U.S., Clerk's record room.

80. CRIMINAL BOOKS, 1903--. 12 file boxes. (1-12).

Record of criminal cases, showing name of plaintiff, defendant, nature of offense, date, attorneys, plaintiff and defendant. Arranged alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. U.S., Clerk's office.

For earlier record, see entry 78.

81. CIVIL FILES, 1901--. 400 file boxes. (1-400).

Record of civil cases completed, showing case number, date, plaintiff, defendant, nature of complaint, and signature of attorney. Arranged alphabetically by case number. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 12. U.S., Clerk's record room.



32. CIVIL CASES, 1910-19, not dated. 1 vol. (1-56), 1 vol. numbered 1).

Index to records of civil cases, such as suit claims and divorces, showing name of parties, number of case, and number of file box. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 554 pp. 17 x 11 1/2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

33. FILES, INDEX TO, not dated. 1 vol.

Index record to file boxes of Criminal Court records, showing name of defendant, package number, and file box number. Arranged alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 500 pp. 13 x 3 x 2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

34. DISPOSITIONS, INDEX CASES, 1910-20. 1 file box.

Record of cases disposed of, such as damage suits, trespassing, and divorces, showing name of plaintiff and defendant, proceedings, date disposed of, nature of case, and signature of judge. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.

35. ENTRY AND ISSUE BOOKS AND FEE BOOK, 1910-19. 30 v 10. (1-56).

Record of entries, issues and fees of civil cases, showing entry docket, cause number, date of filing, kind of action, attorney for plaintiff and defendant, names of plaintiff and defendant, date, issues, proceedings, fees itemized, date complaint filed, summons issued, order book number, page number, fee paid by plaintiff or defendant, total fee, Sheriff's fees, witness fees, and receipts. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., vol. 1-11, 1910-19, Clerk's record room; vol. 12-30, 1910-19, Clerk's office.



36. OPILATOR, 1891-1900, 1891-1900. 2 file box.

Record of applications for commitment of criminals and fugitives sent to State institutions, showing date of entry, by whom made, race and address of patient, family history, names of father, mother, sisters, brothers, and grandparents, describing diseases had by each, personal history of patient, sex, married or single, religion, diseases had, judge's order of admission, warrant of arrest, and Sheriff's return. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.

For earlier records, see entry 31.

37. DECESSION DOCKET, 1810-1900. 10 vols. (27, 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of cases, showing costs of judgment, cost of trial, cause number, date of issue, date of judgment, order book, judgment docket, fee book, and name of plaintiff and defendant. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

38. EXECUTIONS ON TRANSCRIPTS, 1830-1840. 1 file box.

Record of executions filed and returned unsatisfied by Sheriff, showing plaintiff, defendant, date, description of real estate, value, personal property, value, total value of all property, amount of claim and costs. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.





88. JURY BOX, 1861-1910. 21 vols. (1-21). Vols. 1-20, 1861-1910, missing.

Record of fees received and cost of cases tried, showing plaintiff, defendant, court number, cause of action, date, itemized fees, clerk's fees, witness fees, and total fees. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. Condition poor.

573 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. U.S., Clerk's record room.

For later record, see entry 86.

89. INDICTMENT RECORD, 1861--. 5 vols. (1,3,5-11).

Record of accusation against prisoners presented by a grand jury to a court, showing indictment number, date, nature of indictment, cause of action, name of Prosecuting Attorney, and name of witnesses. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. 1861-1900, handwritten; 1900--., typed.

570 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. U.S., v.1,3,5-10, 1861-1900, Clerk's record room; v.11, 1900--., Clerk's office.

90. INSANE RECORDS, 1870--. 10 vols. (1-9, 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of insane persons confined in an asylum, showing county making application, patient's name, address, age, sex, married or single, family history, name of mother and father, sisters and brothers and grandparents, diseases had by each, and patient's personal history of past diseases.

Indexed alphabetically by patient. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. U.S., v.1-9, and 1 vol. not numbered, 1870-1900, Clerk's record room; v.9, 1900--. Clerk's office.



92. TRIALITY, 1820--. 3 file boxes.

Record of inquests of inquests persons, showing personal history, family history, statements of attending physician and medical examiner, and judges order of commitment. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.

For earlier record, see entry 91.

93. JUDGE'S DOCKET, 1894--. 27 vols. Prior 1894, missing.

Record of cases and proceedings, showing number, attorney, parties, action, when filed, and Sheriff's return. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten and typed. Condition fair. 592 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

94. JUDGMENT DOCKETS, 1813--. 11 vols. (A-K).

Record of judgments rendered to collect court costs, showing date of judgment, number of case, parties, against whom rendered, amount of judgment, total reference to records, date of credits, and amount. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 580 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

95. JUDGMENT RECORD, INDEX OF, 1920--. 1 vol.

General index to judgment docket, showing judgment of defendant, date, record, and page. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Typed on printed form. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

96. JURY VERDICT, 1850--. 1 file box.

Record of summons of jurors for court, showing name of juror, township, ward, county, city, date to appear, and for what term of court. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.



97. THE SHERIFF'S RECORDS, 1871--. 5 vols. (1-5, 8 vols. numbered).

Record of suits for judgment, Sheriff's sales, and redemption of property sold by Sheriff, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, date of sale, amount of judgment and date, description of property sold, location, name of purchaser, amount of sale, signature of Sheriff, and date of assignment. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. 1876-1885, handwritten; 1886--, typed. 400 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. C.O., Clerk's record room.

98. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, 1880-1881. 1 file box.

Record of subpoenas or summons to court on certain dates, served by Sheriff, showing name of Sheriff, plaintiff, defendant, name of person summoned, amount of fees, rules of subpoena, and date served. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.O., Clerk's record room.

99. ORDER BOOK, 1818--. 77 vols. (1-2, 1-51).

Record of cases, showing kind of case, date, name of plaintiff and defendant, and proceedings. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. 1818-1819, handwritten on printed form; 1-2, 1-50, 1818-1865, Clerk's record room; v. 51, 1865--, Clerk's office.

100. ORDER BOOK, CIVIL ORDER BOOK, 1892--. 51 vols. (1-51).

Title varies.

Record of cases, showing plaintiff and defendant, proceedings, cause of action, and date of filing. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. 1892-1910, handwritten; 1911--, typed. 592 pp. 10 x 12 x 1. V. 1-51, 1892-1935, Clerk's record room; v. 51, 1935--, Clerk's office.





101. DEBTS PAID (RECEIVED), 1903--. 5 vols. (1-4, 2 vols. numbered 1).

Record of original cases, showing date, term, plaintiff, proceedings, and disposition of case. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. 1900-1927, handwritten; 1927--, typed. 588 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.C., v. 1-3, 2 vols. numbered 1, 1900-1936; Clerk's record room; v. 4, 1900--, Clerk's office.

102. PAID CASE RECORD, 1900--. 2 vols.

Record of judgments rendered, showing amount, interest and costs, date, plaintiff and defendant, order book page, and fee book page. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten or printed form. Condition fair. 200 pp. 16 x 10 x 1 1/2. C.C., 1 vol., Clerk's record room; 1 vol., Clerk's main office.

103. WILL TRUST CASE RECORD, 1911-30. 1 vol.

Record of property where owner died and left no heir, property going to administrator or advisor, showing plaintiff, defendant, date, and detailed statement of case. No index. Typed. 588 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's record room.

104. RECEIVANCES, GOLDBERG, 1920, 1 file box.

Record of claims against J. E. Goldberg, proprietor of "Goldberg's Pickler Shop" of Mitchell, Indiana, who went into receivership, showing date, name of creditor and debtor, sworn statement of creditor, amount, itemized statement of account, terms, quantity, style, price, and total amount. No index. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.











112. CASES, 1880-1900, 1900-1910. 10 file boxes.  
Record of cases, showing substance, trespassing and property  
cases, name of complainant, address, crime, and by whom. No index.  
Handwritten and by 10. 10 x 4 x 12. 3.00, Clerk's record room.

113. SUPPORT BOOKS, 1910-1911. 2 vols. (1-2).  
Record of support money received and paid by court order, showing from  
whom and to whom, date, and amount. Indexed alphabetically by  
plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 374 pp. 16 x 11 x 1 1/2. 3.00,  
Clerk's record room.

114. TRANSCRIPTS TO BUREAU AND DISTRICT, 1911-1912. 3 file boxes.  
Records of transcripts to bind real estate, showing name of plaintiff,  
and defendant, and cause of action. No index. Typed on printed form. 10 x 4 x 1 1/2.  
3.00, Clerk's record room.

#### Common Pleas Court

115. CASES, 1880-73. 19 file boxes.  
Record of complaints, notes on account, appeals for satisfaction of  
judgment, showing name of plaintiff and defendant, nature of offense,  
and date tried. Arranged numerically by case number. Handwritten on  
printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. 3.00, Clerk's record room.

116. CASES, INDEX TO FILE, not dated. 1 vol.  
Index report to file boxes of cases, showing name of plaintiff, page  
number, and file box number. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff.  
Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 100 pp. 10 x 6 x 3.  
3.00, Clerk's record room.





117. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1868-71. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of court cases, showing date of judgment, date of trial, date of judgment, cause number, date of issue, date of judgment, order book, judgment docket, docket, name of plaintiff and defendant, amount of judgment, and amount of costs. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 599 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

118. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1868-73. 3 vols. (1-2).

Record of judgments rendered with findings, showing number of cause, date, settlements, litigation, and court costs. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 520 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

119. ORDER BOOK, 1868-73. 4 vols. (1-4).

Record of cases, showing name of plaintiff and defendant, date, statement of case, proceedings, judge, and date filed. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 578 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

#### Juvenile Court

120. DOCKET, 1905-11. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of cases pending, showing cause number, names of parties, date of filing, witnesses, and proceedings. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 500 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.













132. Docket, 1884--. 12 file boxes. (1-5).

Record of cases pending, showing name of decedent, administrator, heirs, amount of estate, description of real and personal property, amount of bond, name of sureties, and date of bond. Arranged alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12.

C.C., Clerk's office.

133-135. ENTRY ON INVENTORIES BOOKS, GENERAL, 1884-1918.

12 vols. (1-7, 2 sets, 1-5).

Record of entry claim and allowance docket of estates filed, showing estate number, fee book and page number, name of estate, name of administrator, address, amount of bond and sureties, date of letters, date of death, date of filing, amount of inventory, share of widow, date of filing sale bill and amount, proceedings, date, action taken, order book number, page number, claims filed and actions taken, number of claim, name of claimant, date filed, nature of claim, amount, amount allowed, and date of satisfying claim. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 300 pp. 10 x 15 x 3 1/2. C.C., v. 1-5, 1884-1918, Clerk's office; v. 1-7, 1918--, Clerk's record room.

136. (137-138), W. F. WOOD CASES, 1928- 1 file box.

Record of inventory and appraisal of W. F. Wood cases with claim against estate, showing description of property, itemized appraisement value, total appraised value, location of property, each of proceeds of estate, each of appraisers, date, name of creditor and debtor, terms, quantity, and total amount of claims. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Clerk's record room.



188. DEEDS AND MORTGAGES, 1898-1908. 2 file boxes.  
Record of introduction of evidence of less than \$1000.00, names of decedents, date of action, appointment and date of appointment, and inventory of real and personal property. No index. 10 x 12 in. C.C., Clerk's record room.

189. DEEDS, OLD, 1897-1898. 2 file boxes.  
Record of private sales and inventories, showing name of owner, administrator, and date of sale, appraised value, inventory of real and personal property, date, and amount of sale. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 10 x 12 in. C.C., Clerk's record room.

190. DEEDS, NEW, 1898-1908. 2 vols. Numbering varies.  
Record of final settlements of estates, showing name of plaintiff and defendant, date of action, date of death, proceedings in court, and signature of clerk. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 500 pp. 10 x 12 in. C.C., Clerk's record room.

191. DEEDS AND MORTGAGES, 1898-1908. (2 vols. 1-2). 1-2-3, prior to 1898, missing.  
Records of bonds and letters of persons securing themselves as guarantors of other heirs and their estates, showing name of guarantor, amount of bond, name of person, date, and name of judge. Indexed alphabetically by guarantor. Handwritten on printed form. 618 pp. 10 x 12 in. C.C., Clerk's record room.







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24. *ibid.*, 1921--22. pp. 123. (1-2, 1-24).

245. PLANTING, 1900-05, 1957-58. 2 vol.





190. PROBATE, 1841--4. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of probate and guardianship of estates, including the decision and distribution of property of the deceased, showing name of decedent, detailed statement of will, copy of will, the witnesses, proof of will, and seal of judge. Indexed alphabetically by testator. 1841-1849, handwritten; 1849--4, typed. 300 pgs. 14 x 18 x 4 1/2. B. 1, Clerk's record room.

#### Supreme Court

197. SUPREME COURT, 1800-41. 3 file boxes.

Record of opinions of the judges in cases appealed to the Supreme Court, showing date of term, state, plaintiff, defendant, court from which appealed, opinion, and judgment. 40 boxes. 10 x 4 x 1 1/2. B. 1, Clerk's record room.

#### Election

140. ELECTIONS, RECORDS OF, 1830-4. 2 vols. (1 and 2).

Records of elections, showing name of township, precinct, names of candidates, officers, political party, and number of votes cast in each precinct for each candidate. Arranged chronologically. Written on printed form. Condition fair. 270 pgs. 10 x 12 x 1 1/2. B. 1, Clerk's record room.



184. VOTING SLIP, 1880-1900. 17 pages.

Record of poll book, daily paper for each and every election, certificate, and statement of votes cast, showing name and number of votes in each precinct, residence, name of officers, name of candidate and number of votes each received. No index. Manuscript on printed form. 15 x 9 in. U.S., Clerk's record room.

#### Insurance and Life

185. (INSURANCE POLICY), 1880-1900. 1880-1900. 1880-1900.

1 vol.

Record of corporation certificates of stock quitted in insurance or insurance capital of corporation, showing date, name of corporation, certificate, and number of shares, and name of holder. Manuscript on printed form. 15 x 9 in. U.S., Clerk's record room.

186. 1880-1900. 1880-1900. 1880-1900. 1 vol.

Record of dental license obtained, showing dentist's certificate and license, statement of name, date, and place of birth. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Manuscript on printed form. 110 pp. 14 x 9 in. U.S., Clerk's record room.

187. 1880-1900. 1880-1900. 1880-1900. 1 vol. Prior to 1880, missing.

Record of license granted to physicians, showing name of applicant, date, place of birth, and medical college attended. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Manuscript on printed form. 100 pp. 14 x 9 in. U.S., Clerk's record room.



150. FIREARMS, PERMITTING AND PERMITS TO CARRY, 1908--. 1

file box.

Record of applications for permits to carry firearms, showing name of State and county, date, name of applicant, name of manufacturer of firearm, address and description of applicant, description of firearm, and reason for seeking firearm. No index. Handwritten on printed forms. 10 x 4 x 15. C.C., Clerk's record room.

151. FIREARMS, PERMITS, 1907--. 1 file box.

Record of firearm permits and sales of firearms, showing permit number, name of applicant, name of gun, caliber, model number, address of applicant, complexion, color of hair and eyes, height, weight, reason for permit, and signature of Clerk. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 15. C.C., Clerk's record room.

152. JOHN DILLER'S LICENSE, APPLICATION FOR, 1917-34, 1 file

box.

Record of applications for junk dealer's license, showing name of applicant, location of business, names of members of the firm, and dates. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 10 x 4 x 15. C.C., Clerk's record room.

153. JOHN DILLER'S LICENSE RECORD, 1905--. 1 file.

Record of license issued to junk dealers to purchase and sell junk for one year, showing name of dealer, place of business, name of clerk, agency, applicant, provision of license, address, date, and seal of Clerk. Indexed alphabetically by dealer. Handwritten on printed forms. 100 pp. 15 x 5 x 1. C.C., Clerk's record room.



























































## COUNCIL, COUNTY

The County Council is composed of seven members. Lawrence County is divided into four councilmanic districts with one councilman elected by the electors of each district, and three others elected at large by the electors of the entire county (Acts 1898; Burns 26-702 /5875/). They hold office for four years (Acts 1898; Burns 26-706 /5867/). The Council elects its president (Acts 1898; Burns 26-807 /5880/), the Auditor acts as clerk (Acts 1898; Burns 26-808 /5879/), and the Sheriff executes the orders of the Council (Acts 1898; Burns 26-810 /5871/).

The power of fixing the tax rate for county purposes, and for all purposes where the rate not fixed by law is required to be uniform throughout the county, is vested in the Council, as well as the power of making appropriations of money to be paid out of the county treasury (Acts 1898; Burns 26-818 /5873/).

The Council passes on all budget estimates submitted by county officials (Acts 1898; Burns 26-820 /5881/), as well as emergency appropriations (Acts 1898, 1907, 1913; Burns 26-821 /5882/).

The Council has the exclusive power to authorize the borrowing of money for the county and the issuing of bonds (Acts 1898, 1901, 1906; Burns 26-822 /5883/). No sale or purchase by the county of real estate of the value of \$1,000 or more shall take place without authorization of the Council (Acts 1898; Burns 26-834 /5885/).



































































339. (UNCLAIMED AGREEMENTS), 1893--. 1 vol.

Record of alien lot for purchase (as shown on the record) as filed, showing consideration, parties, date, and amount of sale. Forwarded alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 10 x 1 1/2. U.S., Recorder's record room.

340. (UNCLAIMED AGREEMENTS), 1893--. 2 file boxes.

Unclaimed agreements, showing parties, agreements, date filed, and seal of Recorder. No index. 8 x 10 x 27. U.S., Recorder's office.

341. (UNCLAIMED MECHANICS LIENS), 1893--. 2 file boxes.

Unclaimed mechanics' liens on property by contractor, showing parties, cause, description and location of property, amount, and date filed. No index. 8 x 10 x 27. U.S., Recorder's office.

342. (UNCLAIMED MORTGAGES), 1893--. 2 file boxes.

Unclaimed mortgages on real estate, showing mortgagor, mortgagee, description and location of land, terms, date filed, and seal. No index. 8 x 10 x 27. U.S., Recorder's office.

#### Registers

343. (GENERAL INDEX), 1893--. 15 vols. (1-15).

General index of all recordings, showing year, month, day, hour, minute, granted, date of instrument, consideration, lots, name of party, description of land, section, town, range, acres, number, book, page, date of instrument, and fees. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 10 x 5. U.S., Recorder's record room.









































1910-20, 1920-30; 1930-40. 1 vol. (1-3).  
2 vols., 1910-20, 1920-30, 1930-40, 1940-50, 1950-60, 1960-70, 1970-80, 1980-90, 1990-2000.

1900

168. 1900-1901, 1901-1902. 1 vol.

Record of fees from Sheriff's office, showing: name, cause, number of books and date, court, receipt on bill, dollar number, nature of service, and distribution. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 342 pp. 15 x 10 x 3 3/4. S.C., Sheriff's office.

170. 1900-1901, 1901-1902. 2 vols. (1-2. 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of fees for Sheriff's office, showing: name, cause, number of books and date, court, receipt on bill, dollar number, nature of service. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 3. S.C., 1 unnumbered vol., 1900-1901, 1901-1902, 1902-1903, 1903-1904, 1904-1905, 1905-1906, 1906-1907, 1907-1908, 1908-1909, 1909-1910, 1910-1911, 1911-1912, 1912-1913, 1913-1914, 1914-1915, 1915-1916, 1916-1917, 1917-1918, 1918-1919, 1919-1920, 1920-1921, 1921-1922, 1922-1923, 1923-1924, 1924-1925, 1925-1926, 1926-1927, 1927-1928, 1928-1929, 1929-1930, 1930-1931, 1931-1932, 1932-1933, 1933-1934, 1934-1935, 1935-1936, 1936-1937, 1937-1938, 1938-1939, 1939-1940, 1940-1941, 1941-1942, 1942-1943, 1943-1944, 1944-1945, 1945-1946, 1946-1947, 1947-1948, 1948-1949, 1949-1950, 1950-1951, 1951-1952, 1952-1953, 1953-1954, 1954-1955, 1955-1956, 1956-1957, 1957-1958, 1958-1959, 1959-1960, 1960-1961, 1961-1962, 1962-1963, 1963-1964, 1964-1965, 1965-1966, 1966-1967, 1967-1968, 1968-1969, 1969-1970, 1970-1971, 1971-1972, 1972-1973, 1973-1974, 1974-1975, 1975-1976, 1976-1977, 1977-1978, 1978-1979, 1979-1980, 1980-1981, 1981-1982, 1982-1983, 1983-1984, 1984-1985, 1985-1986, 1986-1987, 1987-1988, 1988-1989, 1989-1990, 1990-1991, 1991-1992, 1992-1993, 1993-1994, 1994-1995, 1995-1996, 1996-1997, 1997-1998, 1998-1999, 1999-2000.

171. 1900-1901, 1901-1902. 2 vols. (1 and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of fees for services for other counties, showing: name, kind of work, date of issuance, number, when received, served, and returned, and fee. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 3. S.C., v. 1, 1900-1901, 1901-1902, 1902-1903, 1903-1904, 1904-1905, 1905-1906, 1906-1907, 1907-1908, 1908-1909, 1909-1910, 1910-1911, 1911-1912, 1912-1913, 1913-1914, 1914-1915, 1915-1916, 1916-1917, 1917-1918, 1918-1919, 1919-1920, 1920-1921, 1921-1922, 1922-1923, 1923-1924, 1924-1925, 1925-1926, 1926-1927, 1927-1928, 1928-1929, 1929-1930, 1930-1931, 1931-1932, 1932-1933, 1933-1934, 1934-1935, 1935-1936, 1936-1937, 1937-1938, 1938-1939, 1939-1940, 1940-1941, 1941-1942, 1942-1943, 1943-1944, 1944-1945, 1945-1946, 1946-1947, 1947-1948, 1948-1949, 1949-1950, 1950-1951, 1951-1952, 1952-1953, 1953-1954, 1954-1955, 1955-1956, 1956-1957, 1957-1958, 1958-1959, 1959-1960, 1960-1961, 1961-1962, 1962-1963, 1963-1964, 1964-1965, 1965-1966, 1966-1967, 1967-1968, 1968-1969, 1969-1970, 1970-1971, 1971-1972, 1972-1973, 1973-1974, 1974-1975, 1975-1976, 1976-1977, 1977-1978, 1978-1979, 1979-1980, 1980-1981, 1981-1982, 1982-1983, 1983-1984, 1984-1985, 1985-1986, 1986-1987, 1987-1988, 1988-1989, 1989-1990, 1990-1991, 1991-1992, 1992-1993, 1993-1994, 1994-1995, 1995-1996, 1996-1997, 1997-1998, 1998-1999, 1999-2000.

Investigations and Reports

172. 1900-1901, 1901-1902. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of prisoners confined in jail, showing: name, sex, age, color, position, character, when admitted, when confined, amount of bail,









## Surveyor

The Surveyor, or survey engineer as he is sometimes known, is a constitutional officer, nominated by primary and elected at the general election for two years. He may be re-elected indefinitely. He must give bond in a sum fixed by the Board of County Commissioners. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; 1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 15-3501 [1852]).

The Surveyor performs all duties required of him as civil engineer in the work of Lawrence County, including the preparation of plans and specifications for, and general supervision of all bridges, turnpikes, roads, ditches, drains, and levees. He establishes boundaries of farms and lots, and takes acknowledgments of mortgages and deeds for the conveyance of real estate. He removes river obstructions, the obstruction of any stream, and institutes forcible entry actions for same in the courts. (Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Laws 1875, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, and 1884; Burns 33-1110, 41-3300 to 41-3317 [1881-1887], 46-3319 to 46-3322 [1890-1893], and 46-3323 to 46-3326 [1901-1904]).

376. FIELD BOOKS, 1894-.. 2 vols. (BIB. 10 1417).

The original survey and record of legal surveys made, showing description, location of property surveyed, date and date of survey, and name of property owner. Description. 375 pp. 18 x 24 in. C.B., Surveyor's office.

















222. ... 1900--1910.

Record of ... collection each year, showing ... of delinquent tax for each year and each installment of taxes, total amount, and penalty added each year. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Underwritten on printed form. 11 x 8 in. 12 x 3 in. 5.5 in., 4 vols., 1900-01, for Auditor's records room; 4 vols., 1902, for Auditor's office.

223. ... 1900--1910.

3 vols. (1-3).

Record of ... reported in ... of ... and ... of each, showing date of ... and ... date, ... number, ... of ... and ... of ... arranged chronologically. Underwritten on printed form. 11 x 8 in. 12 x 3 in. 5.5 in., 3 vols., for Auditor's office.

224. ... 1900--1910. 3 vols.

Arranged issued for ... purposes and poor relief, showing ... number, ... number, date, ... and signature of ... and ... 11 x 8 in. 12 x 3 in. 5.5 in., 3 vols., for Auditor's office.

225. ... 1900--1910. 1 vol.

Applications to pay ... of ... and ... to ... and ... of ... 11 x 8 in. 12 x 3 in. 5.5 in., 1 vol., for Auditor's office.



































































